

**CITY OF NEWTON
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

CONTRACT FOR THE NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**PROJECT MANUAL:
ANNUAL – SANITARY PAPER SUPPLIES
*INVITATION FOR BID #12-04***

Bid Opening Date: August 4, 2011 at 11:00 a.m.

**JULY 2011
Setti D. Warren, Mayor**

CITY OF NEWTON
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
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The City of Newton invites sealed bids from Contractors for:

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Bids will be received until: **11:00 a.m., August 4, 2011**
at the Purchasing Department, Room 204, Newton City Hall, 1000 Commonwealth Ave., Newton, MA 02459. Immediately following the deadline for bids all bids received within the time specified will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Contract Documents will be available on line at www.ci.newton.ma.us/bids or for pickup at Newton City Hall, Room 204, Purchasing Department, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton Centre, MA 02459 after **10:00 a.m., July 21, 2011**.

There will be no charge for contract documents.

Bid surety is **not** required with this bid.

Award will be made to the lowest, responsible, and responsive bidder **by line item**.

This will be a one-time purchase by line item. One time delivery for both line items to all 22 schools is required upon receipt of the awarded Purchase Order and no later than August 19, 2011. The dollar value of the contract may not be increased by an amount more than twenty five percent (25%) of the contract total.

All bids are subject to the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30B. F.O.B. Destination inside individual schools, Newton, MA.

All bids shall be submitted as **one (1) ORIGINAL and two (2) COPIES**.

All City of Newton bids are available on the City's web site at www.ci.newton.ma.us/bids. It is the sole responsibility of the contractor downloading these bids to ensure they have received any and all addenda prior to the bid opening. Addenda's will be available online within the original bid document as well as a separate file. If you download bids from the internet site and would like to make it known that your company has done so, you may fax the Purchasing Dept. (617) 796-1227 or email to purchasing@newtonma.gov with your NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE, FAX AND INVITATION FOR BID NUMBER.

The City of Newton will reject any and all bids when required to do so by the above referenced General Laws. In addition, the City of Newton reserves the right to waive any informalities in any or all bids, or to reject any or all bids (in whole or in part) if it be in the public interest to do so.

CITY OF NEWTON

Rositha Durham
Chief Procurement Officer

July 21, 2011

CITY OF NEWTON
DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING
INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

ARTICLE 1 - BIDDER'S REPRESENTATION

- 1.1 Each General Bidder (hereinafter called the "Bidder") by making a bid (hereinafter called "bid") represents that:
- 1.2 The Bidder has read and understands the Contract Documents and the bid is made in accordance therewith.
- 1.3 The Bidder has visited the site and is familiar with the local conditions under which the Work has to be performed.
- 1.4 Failure to so examine the Contract Documents and site will not relieve any Bidder from any obligation under the bid as submitted.

ARTICLE 2 - REQUEST FOR INTERPRETATION

- 2.1 Bidders shall promptly notify the City of any ambiguity, inconsistency, or error which they may discover upon examination of the Contract Documents, the site, and local conditions.
- 2.2 Bidders requiring clarification or interpretation of the Contract Documents shall make a written request to the *Chief Procurement Officer* at purchasing@newtonma.gov or via facsimile (617) 796-1227. The City will answer such requests if received **Friday, July 29, 2011, at 12:00 noon.**
- 2.3 Interpretation, correction, or change in the Contract Documents will be made by Addendum which will become part of the Contract Documents. The City will not be held accountable for any oral instruction.
- 2.4 Addenda will be emailed to every individual or firm on record as having taken a set of Contract Documents.
- 2.5 Copies of addenda will be made available for inspection at the location listed in the Invitation for Bids where Contract Documents are on file, in addition to being available online at www.ci.newton.ma.us/bids.
- 2.6 Bidders or proposers contacting ANY CITY EMPLOYEE regarding an Invitation for Bid (IFB) or a Request for Proposal (RFP), outside of the Purchasing Department, once an IFB or RFP has been released, may be disqualified from the bidding process.
- 2.7 Bidders downloading information off the internet web site are solely responsible for obtaining any addenda prior to the bid opening. If the bidder makes themselves known to the Purchasing Dept. at purchasing@newtonma.gov or via facsimile (617) 796-1227, they shall be placed on the bidder's list. Bidders must provide the Purchasing Dept. with their company's name, street address, city, state, zip, phone, fax, email address and **INVITATION FOR BID #12-04**.

ARTICLE 3 - MBE PARTICIPATION

- 3.1 Notice is hereby given that the Mayor's Affirmative Action Plan for the City of Newton, dated December 1999 is applicable to all construction contracts in excess of \$10,000.00. A copy of this plan is on file at City of Newton Purchasing Department.
- 3.2 Notice is hereby given that the City of Newton Minority/Women Business Enterprise Plan dated December 1999 and the Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action Program is applicable to all City contracts for goods and services in excess of \$50,000.00. Copies of these plans are incorporated in the bidding documents.

ARTICLE 4 - PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF BIDS

- 4.1 Bids shall be submitted on the "Bid Form" as appropriate, furnished by the City.
- 4.2 All entries on the Bid Form shall be made by typewriter or in ink.
- 4.3 Any quantities indicated on the Bid Form or elsewhere in the Project Manual or Drawings are estimates only and are given solely as a basis for the comparison of bids. The City does not by implication or otherwise guarantee them to be even approximately correct. The Contractor shall have no claim for additional compensation, or refuse to do the work called for, by reason of the actual quantities involved being greater or lesser by any amount than those called for in the proposal.
- 4.4 Where so indicated on the Bid Form, sums shall be expressed in both words and figures. Where there is a discrepancy between the bid sum expressed in words and the bid sum expressed in figures, the words shall control.
- 4.5 All proposals which contain abnormally high prices, or abnormally low prices, for any class of work, or those which contain unbalanced bidding in any form or manner may be rejected as informal.
- 4.6 Bid Deposits shall be submitted in the amount specified in the Invitation for Bids. They shall be made payable to the City of Newton and shall be either in the form of cash, certified check, treasurer's or cashier's check issued by a responsible bank or trust company, or a bid bond issued by a surety licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance by the principal of the agreements contained in the bid.
- 4.7 Bid deposits of the three (3) lowest responsible and eligible Bidders shall be retained until the execution and delivery of the Owner/Contractor agreement.
- 4.8 The Bid, including the bid deposit shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope with the following plainly marked on the outside:
- GENERAL BID FOR:
 - NAME OF PROJECT AND INVITATION NUMBER
 - BIDDER'S NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS, AND PHONE NUMBER
- 4.9 Date and time for receipt of bids is set forth in the Invitation for Bids.
- 4.10 Timely delivery of a bid at the location designated shall be the full responsibility of the Bidder.

ARTICLE 5 – ALTERNATES

- 5.1 Each Bidder shall acknowledge Alternates (if any) in Section C on the Bid Form.
- 5.2 In the event an Alternate does not involve a change in the amount of the base bid, the Bidder shall so indicated by writing "No Change", or "N/C" or "0" in the space provided for that Alternate.
- 5.3 Bidders shall enter on the Bid Form a single amount for each Alternate which shall consist of the amount for work performed by the Contractor.
- 5.4 The low Bidder will be determined on the basis of the sum of the base bid and the accepted alternates.

ARTICLE 6 - WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

- 6.1 Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the time designated for receipt of bids on written or telegraphic request. Telegraphic withdrawal of bids must be confirmed over the Bidder's signature by written notice postmarked on or before the date and time set for receipt of bids.
- 6.2 Withdrawn bids may be resubmitted up to the time designated for the receipt of bids.
- 6.3 No bids shall be withdrawn for sixty days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

ARTICLE 7 - CONTRACT AWARD

- 7.1 The City of Newton will award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder within sixty days, Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays excluded after the opening of bids.
- 7.2 The City of Newton reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any or all Bids if it be in the public interest to do so.
- 7.3 As used herein, the term "lowest responsive and responsible Bidder" shall mean the Bidder (1) whose bid is the lowest of those bidders whose bid conforms in all respects to the Invitation for Bids and who has the capability to perform fully the contract requirements, and the integrity and reliability which assures good faith performance; (2) who shall certify that he is able to furnish labor that can work in harmony with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed in the work; (3) who, where the provisions of section eight B of chapter twenty-nine apply, shall have been determined to be qualified thereunder.
- 7.4 It is the purpose of the City not to award this contract to any bidder who does not furnish evidence satisfactory to the Chief Procurement Officer that he has the ability and experience in this class of work and that he has sufficient capital and plant to enable him to prosecute the same successfully and to complete it within the specified time and that he will complete it in accordance with the terms thereof.
- 7.5 Subsequent to the award and within five (5) days, Saturday, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the prescribed forms are presented for signature, the successful Bidder shall execute and deliver to the City a Contract in the form included in the Contract Documents in such number of counterparts as the City may require.
- 7.6 In the event that the City receives low bids in identical amounts from two or more responsive and responsible Bidders, the City shall select the successful Bidder by a blind selection process such as flipping a coin or drawing names from a hat. The low Bidders who are under consideration will be invited to attend and observe the selection process.

ARTICLE 8 – TAXES

- 8.1 The Bidder shall not include in this bid any tax imposed upon the sale or rental of tangible personal property in this Commonwealth, such as any and all building materials, supplies, services and equipment required to complete the work.
- 8.2 The City is exempt from payment of the Massachusetts Sales Tax, and the Bidder shall not include any sales tax on its bid. The City's exemption Number is E-046-001-404.
- 8.3 In the event that the City receives low bids in identical amount from two or more responsive and responsible Bidders, the City shall select the successful Bidder by a blind selection process such as flipping a coin or drawing names from a hat. The low Bidders who are under consideration will be invited to attend and observe the selection process.

END OF SECTION

CITY OF NEWTON
DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING
BID FORM #12-04

- A. The undersigned proposes to furnish all labor, materials, tools, equipment, transportation and supervision required to perform all work in accordance with the Project Manual prepared by the City of Newton entitled:

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- B. This bid includes addenda number(s) _____, _____, _____, _____,

- C. The contract price(s) will be:

Item #	Description or Approved Equal	Unit	Unit Cost	Qty	Total Cost	Approved equal brand, model #, pg #, (attach specs)
53-01-001	TOILET PAPER DOUBLE-PLY: WHITE. 100% RECYCLED, 3 3-/4" X 4" SHEET SIZE. APPROXIMATELY 865 SHEETS PER ROLL. BAY WEST 61900 OR APPROVED EQUAL*. MUST FIT BAY WEST DISPENSER 86300. SAMPLE REQUIRED.	CASE/ 36 ROLLS	\$_____	1,400	\$_____	
53-01-005	PAPER TOWEL ROLL: NATURAL 100% RECYCLED, 8"X800' PER ROLL. BAY WEST ECOSOFT 31300. MUST FIT BAY WEST DISPENSER 86500. SAMPLE REQUIRED.	CASE/ 6 ROLLS	\$_____	1,600	\$_____	

One time delivery to all 22 schools is required upon receipt of the awarded Purchase Order and no later than August 19, 2011.

IMPORTANT: Award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder by line item.

***If an alternate item is being proposed, the bidder shall so indicate by providing a full description of the proposed substitute as well as provide data sheets, catalog cuts, performance and test data, and any other information which will support or otherwise prove equality; such proof rests entirely with the bidder. If the alternate product information (listed above) is not provided at the time of the bid the bidder may be deemed non responsive. SAMPLE IS REQUIRED IF BIDDING AN APPROVED EQUAL.**

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

Company: _____ Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail _____

D. The undersigned has completed and submits herewith the following documents:

- ☐ Signed Bid Form, 2 pages
- ☐ Signed Addenda(s) (if applicable)
- ☐ Bidder's Qualifications and References Form, 2 pages
- ☐ Certificate of Non-Collusion, 1 page

E. The undersigned agrees that, if selected as general contractor, s/he will within five days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after presentation thereof by the City of Newton, execute a contract in accordance with the terms of this bid.

The undersigned hereby certifies that it is able to furnish labor that can work in harmony with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed on the work and that they will comply fully with all laws and regulations applicable to awards made subject to M.G.L. Chapter 30B.

The undersigned further certifies under the penalties of perjury that this bid has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this section the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee, club or other organization, entity, or group of individuals. The undersigned further certifies under penalty of perjury that the said undersigned is not presently debarred from public contracting or subcontracting in the Commonwealth under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 29, Section 29F or any other applicable debarment provisions of any other chapter of the General Laws or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder.

Date _____

(Name of General Bidder)

BY: _____

(Printed Name and Title of Signatory)

(Business Address)

(City, State Zip)

(Telephone)

(FAX)

(E-mail Address)

NOTE: If the bidder is a corporation, indicate state of incorporation under signature, and affix corporate seal; if a partnership, give full names and residential addresses of all partners; if an individual, give residential address if different from business address; and, if operating as a d/b/a give full legal identity. Attach additional pages as necessary.

END OF SECTION

CITY OF NEWTON

BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS AND REFERENCES FORM

All questions must be answered, and the data given must be clear and comprehensive. Please type or print legibly. If necessary, add additional sheet for starred items. This information will be utilized by the City of Newton for purposes of determining bidder responsiveness and responsibility with regard to the requirements and specifications of the Contract.

1. FIRM NAME: _____
2. WHEN ORGANIZED: _____
3. INCORPORATED? ____ YES ____ NO DATE AND STATE OF INCORPORATION: _____
4. IS YOUR BUSINESS A **MBE**? ____ YES ____ NO **WBE**? ____ YES ____ NO or **MWBE**? ____ YES ____ NO
- * 5. LIST ALL CONTRACTS CURRENTLY ON HAND, SHOWING CONTRACT AMOUNT AND ANTICIPATED DATE OF COMPLETION:

- * 6. HAVE YOU EVER FAILED TO COMPLETE A CONTRACT AWARDED TO YOU?
____ YES ____ NO
IF YES, WHERE AND WHY?

- * 7. HAVE YOU EVER DEFAULTED ON A CONTRACT? ____ YES ____ NO
IF YES, PROVIDE DETAILS.

- * 8. LIST YOUR VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FOR THIS CONTRACT:

- * 9. IN THE SPACES FOLLOWING, PROVIDE INFORMATION REGARDING CONTRACTS COMPLETED BY YOUR FIRM SIMILAR IN NATURE TO THE PROJECT BEING BID. A MINIMUM OF FOUR (4) CONTRACTS SHALL BE LISTED. PUBLICLY BID CONTRACTS ARE PREFERRED, BUT NOT MANDATORY.

PROJECT NAME: _____
OWNER: _____
CITY/STATE: _____

DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$ _____ DATE COMPLETED: _____
PUBLICLY BID? _____ YES _____ NO
TYPE OF WORK?: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____ TELEPHONE #: (____) _____
CONTACT PERSON'S RELATION TO PROJECT?: _____
(i.e., contract manager, purchasing agent, etc.)

PROJECT NAME: _____
OWNER: _____
CITY/STATE: _____
DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$ _____ DATE COMPLETED: _____
PUBLICLY BID? _____ YES _____ NO
TYPE OF WORK?: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____ TELEPHONE #: (____) _____
CONTACT PERSON'S RELATION TO PROJECT?: _____
(i.e., contract manager, purchasing agent, etc.)

PROJECT NAME: _____
OWNER: _____
CITY/STATE: _____
DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$ _____ DATE COMPLETED: _____
PUBLICLY BID? _____ YES _____ NO
TYPE OF WORK?: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____ TELEPHONE #: (____) _____
CONTACT PERSON'S RELATION TO PROJECT?: _____
(i.e., contract manager, purchasing agent, etc.)

PROJECT NAME: _____
OWNER: _____
CITY/STATE: _____
DOLLAR AMOUNT: \$ _____ DATE COMPLETED: _____
PUBLICLY BID? _____ YES _____ NO
TYPE OF WORK?: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____ TELEPHONE #: (____) _____
CONTACT PERSON'S RELATION TO PROJECT?: _____
(i.e., contract manager, purchasing agent, etc.)

10. The undersigned certifies that the information contained herein is complete and accurate and hereby authorizes and requests any person, firm, or corporation to furnish any information requested by the City of Newton in verification of the recitals comprising this statement of Bidder's qualifications and experience.

DATE: _____ BIDDER: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

END OF SECTION

CERTIFICATE OF NON-COLLUSION

The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that this bid or proposal has been made and submitted in good faith and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certification, the word “person” shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee club, or other organization, entity, or group or individuals.

(Signature of individual)

Name of Business

CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to make award as may be determined to be in the best interest of the City of Newton.
2. Interpretation, correction, or change in the Contract Documents will be made by Addendum which will become part of the Contract Documents. The City will not be held accountable for any oral instruction.
3. Addenda will be emailed to every individual or firm on record as having downloaded a set of Contract Documents. Addenda will also be posted on the City's website at www.ci.newton.ma.us/bids. Any bidder downloading the IFB and any plans for a City bid shall email their company's information along with the IFB # and Project Title that they downloaded. You will then be added to the bidder's list and email distribution list.
4. Prices quoted must include inside delivery to the NPS department, as specified on the Purchase Order.
5. No charges will be allowed for packing, crating, freight, Express or cartage unless specifically stated and included in the bid.
6. The award to the successful bidder may be cancelled if successful bidder shall fail to prosecute the work with promptness and diligence.
7. Time in connection with discount offered will be computed from the date of delivery to the City, as specified on purchase order, or from date correct invoice is received by the City, if the latter date is later than the date of delivery.
8. The successful bidder shall replace, repair or make good, without cost to the City, any defects or faults arising within one (1) year after date of acceptance of articles furnished hereunder (acceptance not to be unreasonably delayed) resulting from imperfect or defective work done or materials furnished by the SELLOR.
9. The SELLOR shall indemnify and save harmless the City and all persons acting for on behalf of it from all suits and claims against them, or any of them, arising from or occasioned by the use of any material, equipment or apparatus, or any part thereof, which infringes or is alleged to infringe on any patent rights. In case such material, equipment or apparatus, or any part thereof, in any such suit is held to constitute infringement, the Seller, within a reasonable time, will at its expense, and as the City may elect, replace such material, equipment or apparatus with non-infringing material, equipment or apparatus, or remove the material, equipment or apparatus, and refund the sums paid therefor.
10. All bids shall be based on the quantities set forth on the attached bid sheets. These quantities shall be used as a basis for the comparison of the bid proposals. It is agreed that the quantities given in this bid are assumed solely as a basis for the comparison of the bids. While the quantities are based on the City's best estimates of the work to be performed during the term of this Contract, the City does not expressly or by implication agree that the actual amount of work will even approximately correspond herewith, and the City reserves the right to increase or diminish the amount of any class or portion of the work as it may deem necessary, without change of price per unit of quantity.
11. The successful bidder shall comply with all applicable Federal State and Local laws and regulations.
12. Purchases made by the City are exempt from Federal excise taxes and bid prices must exclude any such taxes. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.
13. If so stated in the Invitation For Bid the successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance and/or a labor and material payment bond, in an amount, in a form and with a surety satisfactory to the City. The bidder shall be responsible for the cost of the bond(s).
14. If the Invitation for Bids requires bid surety, this surety shall be in the form of a cash, bid bond, cashier's check, treasurer's check, or certified check on a responsible bank, payable to the City of Newton, and must be filed with the original bid in the Office of the Purchasing Agent. Failure to do so will lead to rejection of bid. The bid surety will be returned to the successful bidder within seven (7) days execution of awarded, and approval by the City of performance and/or payment bond(s). In case of default, the bid surety shall be forfeited to the City.

15. Verbal orders are not binding on the City and deliveries made or work done without formal Purchase Order or Contract are at the risk of the Seller or Contractor and may result in an unenforceable claim.
16. The Seller shall agree to indemnify, defend and hold the City harmless from any and all claims arising out of the performance of this contract.
17. "Equality - An item equal to that named or described in the specifications of the contract may be furnished by the Vendor and the naming of any commercial name, trademark or other identification shall not be construed to exclude any item or manufacturer not mentioned by name or as limiting competition but shall establish a standard of equality only. An item shall be considered equal to the item so named or described if (1) it is at least equal in quality, durability, appearance, strength and design; (2) it will perform at least equally the function imposed by the general design for the work being contracted for or the material being purchased; and (3) it conforms substantially, even with deviations, to the detailed requirements for the item in the specifications. The name and identification of all materials other than the one specifically named shall be submitted to the City in writing for approval, prior to purchase, use or fabrication of such items. Subject to the provisions of M.G.L., Ch. 30, Sec. 39J, approval shall be at the sole discretion of the City, shall be in writing to be effective, and the decision of the City shall be final. The City may require tests of all materials so submitted to establish quality standards at the Vendor's expense. All directions, specifications and recommendations by manufacturers for installation, handling, storing, adjustment and operation of their equipment shall be complied with; responsibility for proper performance shall continue to rest with the Vendor.

For the use of material other than the one specified, the Vendor shall assume the cost of and responsibility for satisfactorily accomplishing all changes in the work as shown. If no manufacturer is named, the Vendor shall submit the product he intends to use for approval of the City.

Except as otherwise provided for by the provisions of M.G.L., Ch. 30, Sec. 39J, the Vendor shall not have any right of appeal from the decision of the City condemning any materials furnished if the Vendor fails to obtain the approval for substitution under this clause. If any substitution is more costly, the Vendor shall pay for such costs."

18. Notice is hereby given that the City of Newton Minority/Women Business Enterprise Plan dated December 1999 is applicable to all City of Newton contracts for materials and supplies. A copy of this plan may be obtained from the Purchasing Department.
19. Notice is hereby given that the City of Newton Minority Business Enterprise Plan and the Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity Anti-discrimination and Affirmative Action Program is applicable to all City of Newton contracts in excess of \$50,000.00. A copy of these plans may be obtained from the Purchasing Department.
20. In the event that the City receives low bids in identical amount from two or more responsive and responsible Bidders, the City shall select the successful Bidder by a blind selection process such as flipping a coin or drawing names from a hat. The low Bidders who are under consideration will be invited to attend and observe the selection process.
21. Right To Know:

Any vendor who receives an order or orders resulting from this invitation agrees to submit a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for each toxic or hazardous substance or mixture containing such substance, pursuant to M.G.L., Ch. 111F, SS8, 9 and 10 and the regulations contained in 441 CMR SS 21.06 when deliveries are made. The vendor agrees to deliver all containers properly labeled pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 111F, SS 7 and the regulations contained in 441 CMR SS 21.05. Failure to submit an MSDS and/or label on each container will place the vendor in noncompliance with the purchase order. Failure to furnish MSDSs and/or labels on each container may result in civil or criminal penalties, including bid debarment and action to prevent the vendor from selling said substances or mixtures containing said substances within the Commonwealth. All vendors furnishing substances or mixtures subject to Chapter 111F of the M.G.L. are cautioned to obtain and read the law and rules and regulations referred to above. Copies can be obtained from the State House Book Store, Secretary of State, State House, Room 117, Boston, MA 02133, (617-727-2834) for \$2.00 plus \$.65 postage.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS COULD RESULT IN THE CANCELLATION OF YOUR CONTRACT

END OF SECTION

NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS SANITARY PAPER SUPPLIES

1.0 Scope

- 1.1 Newton Public Schools is accepting bids for Sanitary Paper Supplies as per the bid list attached. All bids must be submitted in the manner and form prescribed by the Specifications which control award of the contract. Bid award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder by line item.
- 1.2 Quantities specified are based on a census taken by Newton Public Schools. Newton Public Schools reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities to be ordered within the time limits set forth in the bid, but no increase shall exceed twenty five percent of the total contract price.
- 1.3 All prices shall be F.O.B. Destination inside individual schools.

2.0 Description and Quality

- 2.1 Wherever items are specified by trade name, manufacturer, or dealer's catalog number, or by any other reference, it shall be taken to mean the items as this described or any other item equal thereto in quality, finish, durability, compatibility, safety and serviceability for the purpose for which it is intended. If an alternate item is being proposed, the bidder shall so indicate by providing a full description of the proposed substitute as well as provide data sheets, catalog cuts, performance and test data, and any other information which will support or otherwise prove equality; such proof rests entirely with the bidder. When the bidder does not state the brand, it is understood that the offer is exactly as specified. Final decisions concerning the quality of items, other than those specifically designated, is to rest with the Newton Public Schools whose determination shall be final and conclusive. Contractors shall guarantee quality control of all goods at no additional cost to the City. Samples shall be furnished free-of-charge upon request and may be retained for future comparisons. Samples and literature must be provided within three (3) days after the request.
- 2.2 Newton Public Schools encourages environmentally preferable products, i.e., products or services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose. This comparison may consider raw materials acquisition, production, manufacturing, packaging, distribution, reuse, operation, maintenance or disposal of the product or service: 1) emphasis on multiple environmental considerations such as recycled content, energy and water efficiency, renewable resource use and toxicity considerations rather than any single environmental feature; 2) evaluation of environmental impacts throughout the life cycle of the product which includes impacts during the manufacture, use and disposal of the product; and 3) recognition of cost and performance remain critical factors in all purchasing decisions. All products must be latex free and nut free.
- 2.3 Material Safety Data Sheets must be forwarded to the Purchasing Department, Newton Public Schools, 100 Walnut Street, Newtonville, MA 02460, within thirty (30) days after the bid award. All products must be properly labeled with the product name, manufacturer's name, address and emergency telephone number, ingredients, cautions, warnings, hazard rating and first aid.

3.0 Delivery

- 3.1 All packages, cartons, or other containers must be clearly marked with a) the school designation, b) a packing slip with contents or item number from specifications, c) the number of boxes on shipment, d) the purchase order number and e) the vendor's name and order number.
- 3.2 Deliveries shall be made to approximately twenty-two (22) schools as per the bid award schedule. All deliveries shall be made to the inside of the buildings and contractors are cautioned to notify their shipping contractors that adequate assistance must be provided at the point of delivery. No sidewalk deliveries will be accepted.
- 3.3 Deliveries shall be made between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Forty-eight (48) hours' notice of delivery is required by contacting Support Services at 617-559-9005. Newton Public Schools shall not be responsible for deliveries that cannot be made because notice was not received in time.
- 3.4 Deliveries are to be completed within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the order unless otherwise indicated or notified by the Contractor and approved in writing by the Coordinator of Purchasing, Newton Public Schools.

4.0 Payment

- 4.1 Invoices shall be billed to Accounts Payable, Newton Public Schools, 100 Walnut Street, Newtonville, Massachusetts 02460.
- 4.2 Invoices must be in triplicate, by school, including the a) purchase order number, b) school name, c) item number, d) quantities, e) description, f) unit price and g) totals.

END OF SECTION